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## COMMENT OF THE DAY

### NEARING THE "SUMMIT"?

THE Soviet Union has replied to a United States note which has asked whether the Russians wanted a "summit" conference merely as a spectacle or to take meaningful decisions. So far, however, it is not known whether the Russian leaders have answered the question.

The State Department has let it be known that a good deal could depend on the Soviet answer to the essential question posed in the aide-memoire.

The United States wants a meeting of heads of governments to take decisions which will begin seriously to resolve at least some of the important political issues, inaugurate some significant steps to limit armament and, by such decisions, create an atmosphere conducive to further settlements.

Anything less would not respond to the hopes, indeed to the legitimate demands of mankind.

### Held Off

PRESIDENT Eisenhower has apparently held off a reply to the last summit letter from Marshal Bulganin, the Soviet Prime Minister, until the Russians have answered the United States Government's question.

The immediate point at issue in the long correspondence on the subject of a possible summit conference is how the groundwork for it should be laid and by whom.

The United States and its allies want a thorough discussion of the fundamental problems at ambassadorial level followed, if necessary, by a Foreign Ministers' conference. But this would take time and delay a summit conference probably until later in the year.

### Limited

THE Soviet Union, pushing for a meeting as soon as possible, has proposed up to now that the Foreign Ministers should meet for the limited purpose of listing an agenda without substantive discussions in order that the heads of governments could convene in June.

The United States, for its part has insisted on an agenda including, among other subjects, disarmament, control of outer space, German reunification, the right of Eastern European states to choose their own form of government and strengthening of the United Nations by restrictions on the big Power veto.

It is unlikely that the Russians will agree to any talks involving the reunification of Germany or "interference" in the form of government in the Eastern European countries.

### Unacceptable

MANY of the Russian proposals, too, will be unacceptable to the Western Powers and they include control of outer space tied to the elimination of overseas bases, and the reduction of foreign troops and the establishment of a nuclear-free zone in Central Europe.

The United States note of March 6 dealt almost entirely with the widely differing views of the United States and the Soviet Union on the approach to the summit.

Precisely, therefore, the Soviet reply will also concentrate on the issue of an agenda and under what conditions it might be discussed. The matter at stake now seems to be whether they should build up to a summit conference as proposed by the United States, or work down from it as the Soviet Union has demanded.

## Rebels Have Throats Cut

By WENDELL S. MERICK

Bukittinggi, Mar. 24. Central Government troops ambushed and cut the throats of 19 rebels at Pematang Siantar a week ago, an official of the Revolutionary Government reported today.

Col. Mohammed Djambek, Interior Minister in the Rebel Government gave bare details of the massacre as fighting continued for the seventh day at Pematang Siantar, south of Medan.

He said the ambush occurred on March 17 when a rebel Lieutenant colonel named Hutanara and six other officers and 24 soldiers slipped into the town to confer with Maj. Manap Lubis, Military Commander who allegedly had indicated willingness to join the rebels.

### Jumped Them

Djambek said they negotiated throughout the day. The rebel delegation was invited to dinner, after which a larger band of Government troops jumped them, killed 18, including Hutanara, and wounded several others in a throat-cutting orgy.

### EMBASSY SWITCH

Rome, Mar. 24. Indonesian Ambassador in Rome Sutan Mohammed Rasjid and six other accredited Indonesian diplomats in Europe have switched their allegiance to the Rebel Government in Padang, Sumatra, the Italian Continental News Agency reported tonight. The names of the other six diplomats were not revealed.—France-Presse.

Other rebel soldiers who had been hiding nearby to await the outcome of the conference heard the fight, rushed to their comrades' aid, and saved those not already knifed.

Djambek said it was obvious that the massacre had been well-planned. He called it "treachery."

The official said fighting was still going on today at Pematang Siantar, some 50 miles from the port of Medan which is in Central Government hands.

There was no information available here on the number of troops in action at Pematang Siantar.

### Red Cross

In other developments: The Revolutionary Government announced that Mr Assati, independent member of the Indonesian Government, arrived on Sumatra to join the rebels. He once was Acting President of Indonesia.

The rebels also announced that two Red Cross ships, the Lacobla and the Lepanda, will not be permitted to dock at Padang and take aboard civilians who want to be evacuated. The ships anchored off Padang yesterday. Rebel officials said Djakardja was using them for propaganda purposes.

The Indonesian Antara News Agency, quoting "loyalist Army information sources," reported today that Central Government forces have cleared a key region near Medan of rebel troops.

The News Agency, in a dispatch originating in Medan and monitored in Tokyo, said that the Langkat Regency, also known as Kabupaten, between the North Sumatran capital of Medan and Aceh Province to the north, "has now been cleared of remnants of rebel (Major Boyko) Nainggolan troops."—United Press.

## UNKNOWN COMPONENT IN CIGARETTE SMOKE FOUND

Norman, Okla., Mar. 24. UNIVERSITY OF Oklahoma research chemists announced today they have discovered a new component in cigarette smoke, but they don't know whether it is harmful.

The "previously unknown component" was identified as copoletin, a compound which previously has been found in the roots of many plants and

in green tobacco leaves. The Director of the University's Research Institute, Dr Verne Kennedy Jr., said the discovery should lead to further research on the chemical's effects on the human body.

The find was reported in the latest issue of the Journal of Organic Chemistry by Dr Simon H. Wender, University biochemist, and two students,

Chao Wei-yang, a graduate of National Taiwan University, Formosa, and Yasushi Nakagawa, of Japan. Kennedy declared, "There are no overtones in this report linking this component with cancer of the lungs." He said so far as he knew "no studies of its effects on humans or animals have been undertaken."—United Press.

## Cypriots Prepare To Celebrate TERRORISTS ATTACK TROOPS

Nicosia, Mar. 24. Security authorities tonight completed large scale plans to deal with any trouble arising from tomorrow's "biggest ever" celebrations to mark Greek Independence Day.

## EARL RUSSELL'S CALL TO BAN THE H-BOMB

London, Mar. 24. Earl Russell (Bertrand Russell, the philosopher) tonight described as "absolutely insane fanaticism" the belief that destruction by nuclear bombs was preferable to submission to a hostile power.

He was speaking in a filmed interview on Independent (commercial) Television.

The 86-year-old Nobel prize winner declared: "There have been bad conquerors in the past—for instance the Mongols, who were cruel and abominable, beyond all measure in the time of Genghis Khan."

"In the time of his grandson, Kubla Khan, Emperor of China, they were most civilised, humane and charming folk."

Earl Russell added: "Now, if the Communists conquered the world, it would be very unpleasant for a while, but not for ever."

"But if the human race is wiped out that is the end."

He said he would like the Government to announce that it would have nothing further to do with the manufacture of H-bombs, and that it would not have rocket sites stationed in this country.—Reuter.

## First Death Sentence

Rabat, Mar. 24. A Moroccan Court today passed the first death sentence since independence on two French officers.

The two officers, Colonel Tubert and Commandant Valanche, were condemned—in their absence—together with a Major Dihes Ben Bachir El Rifi, for making attempts against the external security of the state.

It was alleged that El Rifi had, in 1954 and 1955, passed information to the French Officers who were commanding French troops fighting against the Moroccan Army of Liberation.—Reuter.

According to captured documents, one team of girls raised 6,000,000 francs (US\$15,700) in four months in Tlemcen alone, authorities said.—United Press.

REBEL GIRL COLLECTORS

Aiglens, Mar. 24. A ring of rebel girls who allegedly served as spies, liaison agents, secretaries and fund collectors for the insurgents has been broken. In Western Algeria, authorities said today.

They said 12 girls already have been arrested at Tlerden, between Oran and the Moroccan border, with more arrests expected.

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Caribbean Visit.

London, Mar. 24. Princess Margaret will leave London aboard a Britannia liner on April 10 for a trip to British possessions in the Caribbean. It was disclosed here today.

She will visit Trinity Island, British Guiana, Honduras and Gander before returning to London on May 7.—France-Presse.

DUEL OVER PARIS BALLET

Paris, Mar. 24. The Marquis George de Cuevas, 73-year-old Chilean-born American ballet impresario, declared today he "would have liked to use a whip" in his forthcoming duel with Serge Lifar, 52-year-old Russian-born choreographer at the Paris opera.

Seconds for the two adversaries had announced that they had agreed "on a time and place" to be kept secret—for a duel "with swords until first blood is drawn."

Dueling is illegal in France. The conflict arose out of a dispute at the opening of the

Cuevas Ballet at the Theatre des Champs Elysees on last Friday night.

Lifar had taken steps to forbid the presentation of his ballet Noir et Blanc but the Marquis announced that he would go ahead with the show anyhow.—France-Presse.

## AIRLINER MISSING IN NEPAL

Calcutta, Mar. 24. An Indian Airlines Dakota plane with 16 passengers and a crew aboard is missing in the mountains of Nepal, the airline announced today.

The plane, on loan to Kalinga Airlines for Nepal's internal passenger service, vanished while en route from the small hill-town of Wimra to Katmandu, Indian Airlines were informed.

The flight, over steep, mountainous areas, should have required only 20 minutes, but there was no trace of the plane six hours after it should have reached Katmandu.

Two search planes returned without finding any sign of the missing aircraft, and the aerial search was to be resumed again tomorrow.—United Press.

### DECORATING

Shops closed today in many towns as Greek Cypriots throughout the island began to raise at least one Greek flag, and stores have had an unprecedented rush.

Eoka officials have instructed every Greek Cypriot home to

show at least one Greek flag, and stores have had an unprecedent rush.

Permits granted by the authorities stipulate procession routes and processions must end by 1 p.m. Some authorities have ordered that no slogans should be displayed or shouted.

Meanwhile, terrorist gunmen fired Sten-guns shots at British Military vehicles near Kalogria village, north Cyprus today, reports reaching here said tonight.

A party of British troops was in the vehicle when they were fired on from a hillside ambush position just outside the village.

No one was wounded.

This is the first ambush by terrorist gunmen of a British patrol since February 18, last year.—Reuter.

### UNPLEASANT

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### TESTIMONY

Taylor testified in recent closed-door sessions of the Committee and his testimony was published today. His remarks concerning the troops strength in Japan came in answer to questions as to how the over-all military posture of the US will be affected by proposed manpower reductions.

"The general personnel reduction has been felt most keenly in the support-type operations behind the Korean frontlines, and also in Europe," he said.

He referred to the slump as "the Second Eisenhower-Nixon recession."—France-Presse.

### QUEEN LEAVES FOR NETHERLANDS

London, Mar. 24. Queen Elizabeth and the Duke of Edinburgh sailed from Harwich this evening on the Royal yacht Britannia for the Netherlands.

They are expected to arrive in Amsterdam tomorrow to begin their official visit.

The Britannia put to sea in bitter cold weather through a light fog, and headed for stormy seas.

Weather forecasts predicted a rough crossing of the North Sea, with high winds sometimes reaching tempest force.

The Royal yacht is being escorted by the frigates Grenville, Pallas and Paladin.—France-Presse.

## Hoisting The Red Flag, A Private Action: Japan

Tokyo, Mar. 25. The Japanese Justice Ministry feels that the hoisting of the Communist Chinese flag over Chinese trade missions here must be interpreted as "private action," Justice Ministry sources reported today.

The sources said such action must be considered the same as that taken by private firms and individuals.

The issue of the flags has come up under the "private trade agreement signed between Japanese trade organisations and Peking."

The agreement has raised bitter reaction in Formosa, which has severed trade relations with Japan. The Nationalist Chinese have been particularly interested over provisions of the private trade agreement, which would authorise the raising of the Communist flag over the Com-

unist trade mission which would be established here under the agreement.

### RECOGNITION

The Nationalist Chinese say that allowing the flag to be raised would amount to recognition of the Peking Government.

The Ministry sources said, however, that this was not so. They pointed out that there are no diplomatic relations between Tokyo and Peking and that Communist trade representatives who do come will not be given diplomatic privileges.

Meanwhile, Japanese negotiators of the trade agreement on Monday sought government approval for the pact. It must be approved by both the Chinese and Japanese governments before it goes into force.—United Press.

## PAUL BUTLER SAYS: RECESSION WAS PLANNED

Dover, Mar. 24. Democrat Party National Chairman, Mr Paul Butler charged today the Republican Administration deliberately planned the present depression as a means of economic readjustment but that it later got out of control.

Mr Butler, in a prepared address to the Wesleyan University student body here, said the administration started putting on the brakes after the train had already slowed down and thus threw the nation into a complete slump.

The Administration finally agreed to act and now is presenting as example of Republicanism the very measures it condemned a few weeks ago, Mr Butler added.

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## DEFENCE SECRETS FOR LABOUR?

London, Mar. 24.

The Prime Minister and the leader of the Opposition

are expected to discuss to-

morrow whether the

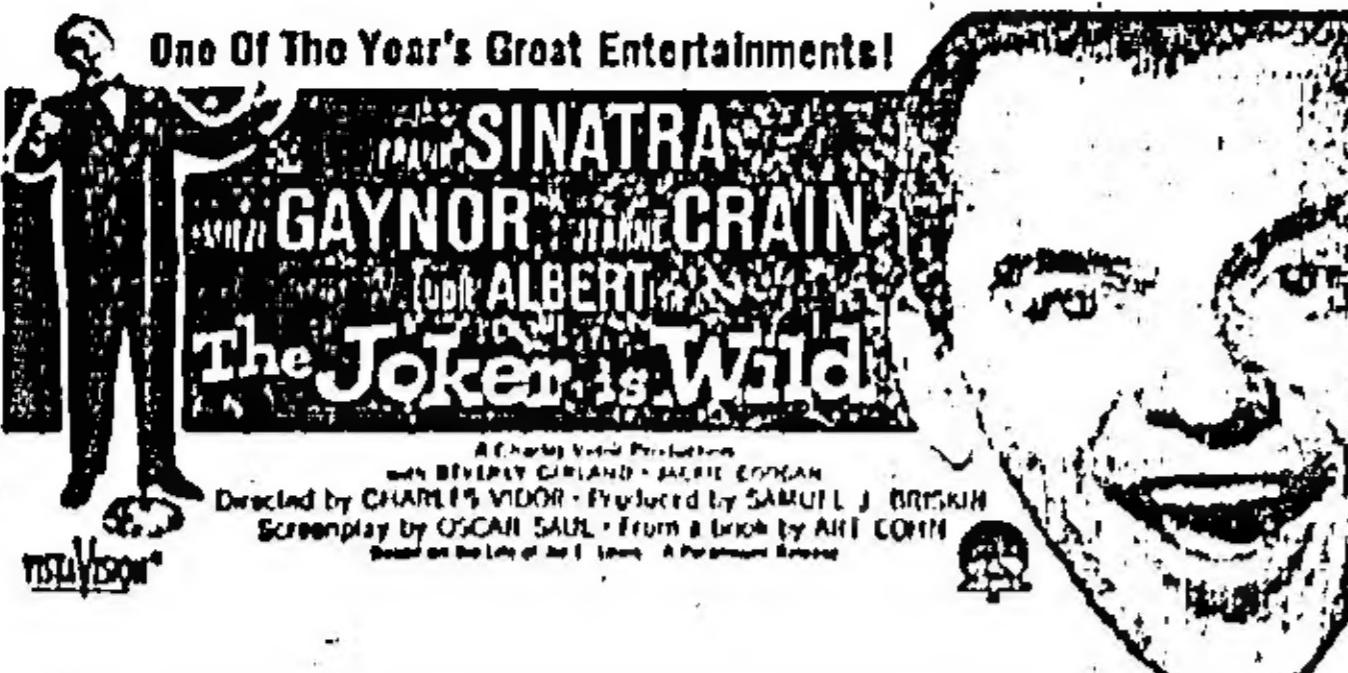
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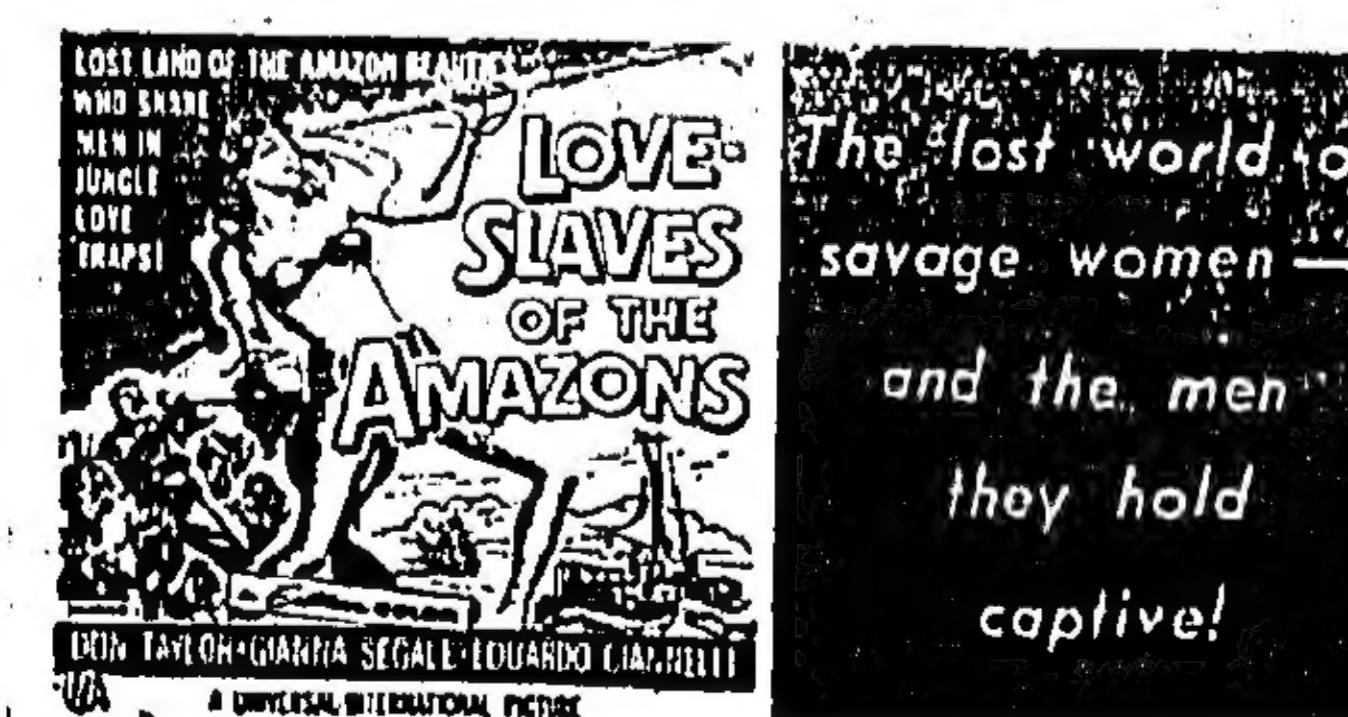
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**POP****Yugoslavia Goes To The Polls****MORE VOTES FOR TITO****One-Party General****Elections Begin  
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Belgrade, Mar. 24.

First results of Yugoslavia's one-party general election today indicated a record poll, with a slightly increased vote for President Tito's Communist Government.

District-by-district voting figures showed that in most places more than 90 per cent of the electorate cast votes in the election yesterday despite wintry weather.

Voters elected 301 deputies to the People's Assembly, but in only six districts did they have a choice of candidates. They also voted for 810 members of Republican assemblies, with a choice of 884 candidates.

The Communists are the only party allowed in Yugoslavia, and no political issues were at stake. Even in the districts where a contest took place, it was between personalities and the rival candidates were approved by the Socialist Alliance, the Communist Party's mass organisation.

The result can be only a confidence vote for the Tito regime.

There were signs that fewer people abstained than at the last election in 1953. In preliminary reports, indicated a similar number of negative voters—nobody could vote against the government, but they could lodge "invalid" votes by omitting to circle the candidate's name or spoiling the ballot paper.

**Negative**

In the Cukarica district of Belgrade, President Tito was returned to Parliament with 99.8 per cent of the votes cast, and there were 240 negative votes.

All other top leaders were also elected.

The number of negative votes generally was less than five per cent, but at Slovenske, Slovenia, 15.2 per cent were counted. In two other Slovenian

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**US Authors**

London, Mar. 24. Radio Moscow reported today that demand for books by American authors is increasing every year in Russia.

The broadcast said more than 4,000,000 books by American authors were published in Russia in the last three months of 1957.—United Press.

**Allegation**

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IN LOURDES**

Lourdes, Mar. 24. Thirty Archbishops and Bishops were among 40,000 pilgrims who today watched the consecration ceremony of a huge semi-underground church, built for pilgrims to this Catholic shrine.

Cardinal Roncalli, the Patriarch of Venice, led by five Archbishops, conducted the blessing of the church half sunk in the ground and covered with a layer of turf.

Owing to the size of the church—200 metres long and 81 metres wide—the Cardinal drove round it in a jeep, sprinkling holy water on its sides as he went.

Each time the Cardinal passed in front of the main entrance, he knocked at the door. The third time he made the sign of the Cross before knocking to be admitted.

Then, followed by the assembled clergy, to the chunt of the "Veni Creator," the Cardinal walked up the aisle to the altar, an immense stone weighing 3,200 kilos, where he performed the ceremony of consecration.—Reuter.

**Satellite**

Cape Canaveral, Mar. 24. The United States Army is expected to attempt to launch another Explorer earth satellite this week.

Specialists at the missile testing centre here said preparations for a new launching attempt were well-advanced.—France Presse

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## CABLE BRIEFS

Washington, Mar. 24.  
Sen. Paul H. Douglas (Dem.-Illinois), a former college classmate of Eisenhower, offered these definitions yesterday:  
A depression is "A decline of major proportions";  
A recession is "A decline of less than major proportions";  
and what we're in now is "A serious recession." — United Press.

Hollywood, Mar. 24.  
M-G-M had some real gold ore mined at Kingman, Arizona, and shipped here for use in a movie. When it arrived, prop men gave it a good spraying with gold paint because "it didn't look real." — United Press.

New York, Mar. 24.  
Overheard, in two separate conversations, at the current Metropolitan Museum of Art showing of paintings by Sir Winston Churchill:  
"I still say he's a writer."  
"Well, yes, it is art." — United Press.

Blandford, Mar. 24.  
Residents of this hill town kept their sense of humour despite recent heavy snows.  
A sign atop a huge pile of the white stuff says: "Caution: Polar Bear Crossing." — United Press.

New Haven, Mar. 24.  
Walter Sanford, accused of looting a store, told police: "I needed the money to pay court costs of traffic violations." — United Press.

Providence, Mar. 24.  
March 23 is an easy date for the family of Vincent Monti to remember.

Yesterday, a daughter was born to the Montis. Their first daughter was born on March 23 and Monti and his wife were born on March 23. — United Press.

Greenleaf, Mar. 24.  
David Ramsay and his wife Mary had twin girls yesterday, making their family nine in all.

Only unusual aspect of the birth was that David is 86. His wife is 39.

Ramsay, a retired ship's engineer, said he has kept his youthfulness by "eating a plate of porridge every day and working hard." — United Press.

London, Mar. 24.  
Air transport used by the British forces in the ill-fated expedition in the Suez Canal zone in the autumn of 1956 cost the British Treasury £650,000. It was officially announced here today. — France-Press.

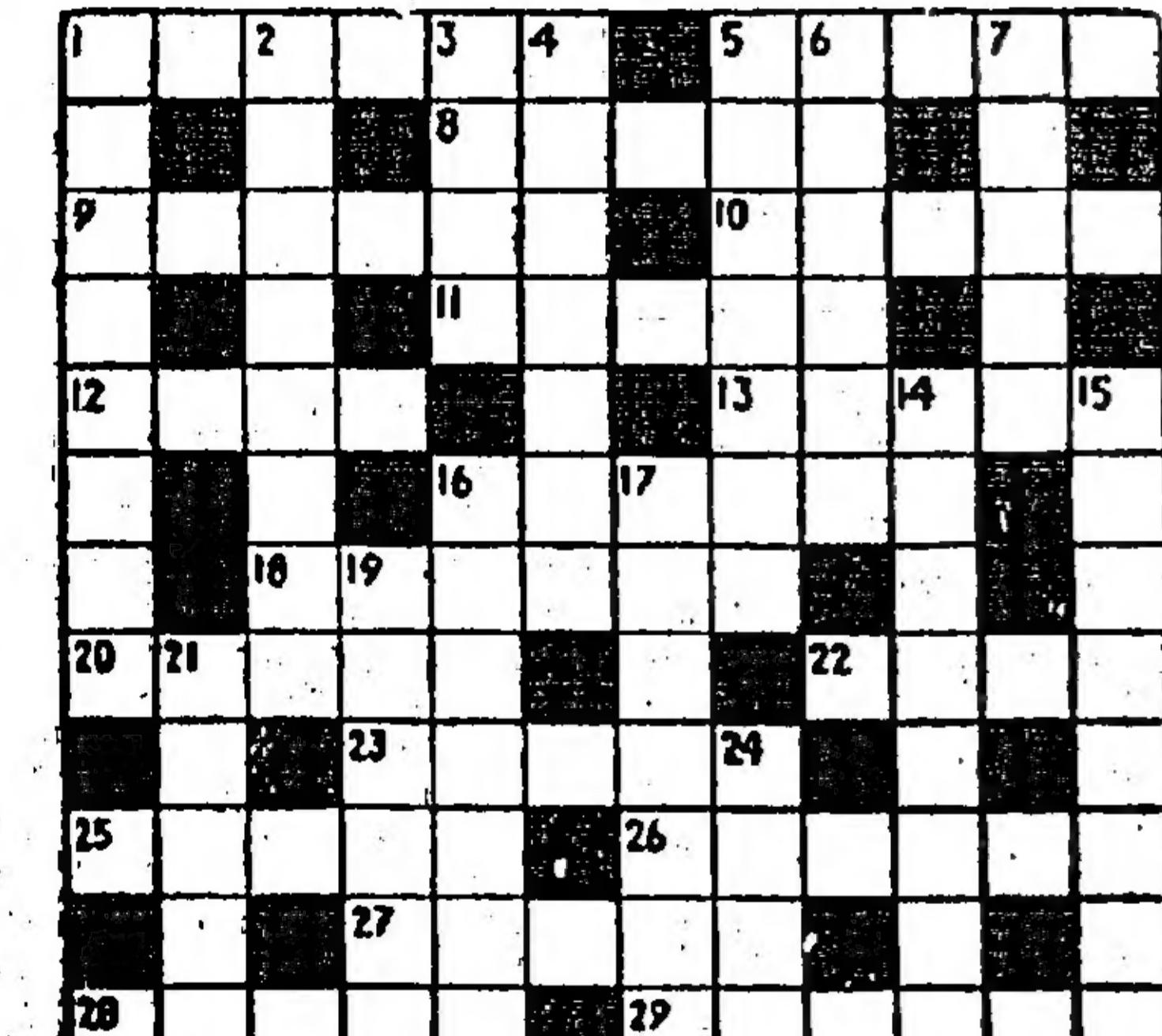
## He 'Sold' Wife For £35

Bulawayo, Mar. 24.  
A NYASALAND African arrived here from South Africa and found that he had insufficient money for the rest of his journey to his home in Nyasaland.

So he sold his wife to an African in the city on the understanding that the marriage would take place after he had left.

The Bulawayo African paid £35 to the woman's husband and went off to work. When he returned, he found the woman had disappeared. Neighbours told him the husband had returned, collected his wife, and left by train for Nyasaland. — France-Press.

## A British Crossword Puzzle



### ACROSS

- 1. The player's son's drum? (6).
- 2. Cut of meat (5).
- 3. No adult (5).
- 4. Eden? Could be (6).
- 5. Kind of beer (5).
- 6. Born in South Africa? (6).
- 7. Stumble (4).
- 8. Stop (6).
- 9. Deceptive exterior (6).
- 10. Did some revision (6).
- 11. Proportional relationship (5).
- 12. Airline initials (4).
- 13. Openings (6).
- 14. Hiding place for loot (5).
- 15. Pierce (5).
- 16. Coffin (or cougher?) (5).
- 17. Red dog (6).
- MONDAY'S CROSSWORD.—Across: 1. Answer; 5. Pitch; 8. Rail; 9. Building; 11. April; 12. Energy; 14. Sect; 16. Motor; 18. Opera; 19. Asia; 20. Ibrios; 24. Chicago; 25. Nickel; 26. Rudd; 27. Estate; 29. Adonis; Down: 1. Alps; 2. Sole; 3. Erne; 4. Regret; 6. Eastern Mediterranean area; 7. Caviare; 8. Optic; 9. Agenda; 11. Rishi; 22. Akbar; 23. Alas.

### DOWN

- 1. Accompanist (9).
- 2. He's all for discipline (6).
- 3. Significant indication (4).
- 4. Mosque turret (7).
- 5. Comforted (7).
- 6. Irish sport (6).
- 7. Makes a declaration (5).
- 8. The meek are certainly not (8).
- 9. Does he carry out instruction willingly? (6).
- 10. Intensely forcible (7).
- 11. Cuddles up (7).
- 12. They're all washed-up—frequently (6).
- 13. A heavy blow may put one out of countenance (5).
- 14. Withered and yellow (4).
- 15. The message, which seemed to acquire a fatal new significance to the family, had been intended to cover the period from last Tuesday to Saturday, when the plane was scheduled to land at Londen airport.
- 16. When Sir Winston goes to the United States he will be accompanied by his chief personal secretary, Mr. Anthony Monagle-Browne. If the trip should be of two or more weeks he might take one of his girl secretaries with him too.
- 17. Sir Winston, who is still in bed, continues to smoke cigars. "It is seldom that one sees him without a cigar. If only to take a few puffs," a member of his household said. — Reuter.
- 18. The fury, without retiring, declared him not guilty of the murder but guilty of the manslaughter of the landlady. Mrs. Sarah Hewlett, aged 88, found under her bed at Bridgerton strangled with a scarf and an electric wire.
- 19. Mrs. Hewlett confessed the following day. He

## Let Russians Do Most Of The Talking

# DAG'S BID FOR DISARMAMENT

## Probe Into Soviet

### Objections To The US Commission

MOSCOW, Mar. 24.  
The U.N. Secretary-General, Dag Hammarskjold, plunged into an intensive round of talks with Soviet leaders today in an effort to restore U.N. influence in the field of disarmament.

The quiet Secretary went methodically about what he termed "a regular working visit." As is his custom, he uttered no word about the progress of his negotiations but the impression was he let the Russians do most of the talking on the opening day.

Informed sources believed the main purpose of the U.N. Secretary-General's visit to the Soviet capital was to probe the depths of Russian objections to the US Disarmament Commission as the main field for negotiation on East-West disarmament.

It was believed Mr. Hammarskjold hoped to work out a compromise on the basis of what he learned from Nikita Khrushchev, Foreign Minister Andrei Gromyko and other Soviet leaders.

Mr. Hammarskjold started the talks early in the morning following his arrival in Moscow late last night.

He first met the first Deputy Foreign Minister, Vasily Kuznetsov, and then went with Mr. Kuznetsov to call on the Foreign Minister, Andrei Gromyko.

### Comment

All that Mr. Hammarskjold would admit to was that he was involved in "talks on disarmament and world problems."

The talks went on over lunch at Spiridonovka Mansion, where the Swedish Secretary-General was the guest of Mr. Kuznetsov and other Foreign Ministry officials. The Swedish Ambassador to Moscow, Rolf Sohlman, also attended the lunch.

And in the afternoon Mr. Hammarskjold had his first meeting with Mr. Khrushchev. Mr. Gromyko was again in attendance as they went over the main points of the morning's opening meetings.

The show Mr. Hammarskjold saw was the premiere of the ballet "Othello," written by the Georgian composer, Mikacavirini.

Among those present were Mr. Khrushchev, Deputy Premier Anatoly Mikoyan, Premier Nikolai Bulganin, Mr. Arlov, Mr. Kirilenko and Mrs. Fortseva. — United Press.

On the sidelines of his mission to Moscow, the U.N. Secretary-General was enjoying all the trappings of Soviet hospitality. In the evening he attended a National Day reception at the Pakistani Embassy and later was a guest at a gala performance in the famous Bolshoi Theatre.

The show Mr. Hammarskjold saw was the premiere of the ballet "Othello," written by the Georgian composer, Mikacavirini.

Among those present were Mr. Khrushchev, Deputy Premier Anatoly Mikoyan, Premier Nikolai Bulganin, Mr. Arlov, Mr. Kirilenko and Mrs. Fortseva. — United Press.

## Take Care Of Mother, Todd's Pilot Told Son

Fair Haven, N.J., Mar. 24.  
The 10-year-old son of Mike Todd's pilot, William Verner, said today, "I want to be a pilot anyway" even though his father was killed with the showman and two other men.

Verner's last word to his fledgling airman son, Rodney, and two younger children, was tucked to a clipboard in the family kitchen here. It read:

"Take care of your mother while I'm gone."

The message, which seemed to acquire a fatal new significance to the family, had been intended to cover the period from last Tuesday to Saturday, when the plane was scheduled to land at Londen airport.

Both Verner and his co-pilot, Thomas Barclay, 34, of Meluchen, New Jersey, were killed with Todd and screen writer Alan Cohn in the crash.

Mrs. Verner was inarticulate with grief and under a physician's care.

Verner was a dedicated pilot, according to friends. He had flown Todd and his actress-wife Elizabeth Taylor, for six months, most recently to Europe in Todd's 12-passenger twin-engine Lockheed.

Verner, a Major in the Air Force Reserves, had more than 15,000 hours of flight time and held the Distinguished Flying Cross and the Air Medal for World War II service. — United Press.

## Strangled Landlady

### 'TIRED OF HEARING SHE WANTED TO DIE'

Lewes, Mar. 24.

A 27-YEAR-OLD student nurse, Josephine Pantry, was alerted today to have strangled his landlady—the old dear "wouldn't die"—because he was "so tired of hearing her say she wanted to die."

The fury, without retiring, declared him not guilty of the murder but guilty of the manslaughter of the landlady. Mrs. Sarah Hewlett, aged 88, found under her bed at Bridgerton strangled with a scarf and an electric wire.

Pantry confessed the following day. He

told the police that Mrs. Hewlett's husband died about a year before and she was always saying she wanted to join him.

"I felt lonely for her and for myself," he was alleged to have added. "He told me he was doing her a kindness."

The defense claimed diminished responsibility.

The judge, sentencing Harry to life imprisonment, said he was satisfied that "she had indeed strangled her husband to take his place in the community." — Caine and Special.

## 53310761, PFC Presley,

### Elvis S.

Memphis, Tenn., Mar. 24.  
AMERICA'S rock'n' roll idol today held up his right hand, took the oath and became "53310761, Private Presley, Elvis S."

Later Elvis, with 14 other conscripts and seven volunteers, left by bus for Fort Chaffee in Northwest Arkansas to start eight weeks' infantry training.

Presley was appointed in charge of the party.

Footnote: It will cost the United States quite a lot of money to make Presley a soldier.

The singer's net income last year was around a million dollars. Of this, 78 per cent of the first \$200,000 went in income taxes and 91 per cent of the rest. — Reuter.



Elvis Presley

## Packing Case For Furniture

# Girl Who Met Queen Mother Returns Home—To A Hotel!

Melbourne, Mar. 24.  
A 15-year-old aboriginal girl, Ruth Daylight, who recently delighted the Queen Mother when she was presented to her in Canberra, has returned to her home — a filthy hovel at Hall's Creek, in outback northwest Australia, the Melbourne Herald reported today.

Its Darwin correspondent, Douglass Lockwood, wrote: "At Hall's Creek, I saw Ruth Daylight, the girl who made that delightful curtsey to the Queen Mother, curtsey for her own mother to show it was done."

"But instead of the imposing walls of Karrakulma, the Governor-General's residence in Canberra, the backdrop today was a filthy hovel, only three feet high, where Ruth

lives with her mother and four other Daylight children.

"In the many years that I have been in the outback I have seen some grim native camps.

"But I have seen few things worse than the humpy in the creek where this beautiful aboriginal girl is living—within 200 yards of Hall's Creek township."

"The only furniture I saw inside the hovel was one upturned packing case."

"A big cattle dog also lives in the humpy."

### LONG WAY

"It is a long way down from Lennox Hotel in Brisbane where Ruth and the other Hall's Creek children stayed—the plush suite, the bedside telephones, the inner spring beds, the private bath, the room service, the midnight supper."

In Sydney today the Superintendent of the Australian Indian Mission, the Rev. J. S. Mackay, expressed surprise at this report.

"I haven't heard anything about it," he said.

"When Ruth was in Sydney she gave no indication she wanted to get away from the place."

Mr. Mackay said he would send a telegram to Hall's Creek immediately.

When Ruth was presented to her in Canberra, the Queen Mother showed great interest in the child and questioned officials about her future.

They said she would return to her home in Hall's Creek. — China Mail Special.

## The Powell Case: US Visas For Chinese Witnesses?

### Testimony Of Germ Warfare Needed

SAN FRANCISCO, Mar. 24.  
A US lawyer said today that he was "satisfied" the government would permit the entry of Chinese witnesses to support the "germ warfare" defence of John and Sylvia Powell, who are accused of sedition. The lawyer, Robert Schnacke, told the Court he believed visas would be granted to prospective witnesses recently interviewed by defence counsel A. L. Wirin on a precedent-shattering trip behind the Bamboo Curtain.

US District Judge Louis Goodman had set July 14 for the trial of the Powells and Julian Schuman of New York, charged with sedition for publishing accounts of alleged US germ warfare and true-stalling in Korea in a monthly review in Shanghai.

Wirin reported to the Court after a recent trip to China that more than 1,000 Chinese witnesses would be needed. So far he has named 38 witnesses, of whom 30 are willing to come to the United States.

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The Chinese urged that such an agreement be discussed in Geneva in the current Sino-American talks, he said.

Wirin told Judge Goodman he was attempting to see the Secretary of State, John Foster Dulles, and other high US officials next month to urge them to take up the question with the Chinese.

However, the Judge disagreed with Wirin about the need for such an agreement.

"We can run this case without any agreement between the State Department and officials of China," he said. — United Press.

### AGREEMENT

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The motorway—the first new national highway to be built in Britain this century—is due to be completed within 19 months.

Part of the highway, at the London and Birmingham approaches, has already been completed.

The work, which began today, will carry the motorway from St Albans, Hertfordshire, to Birmingham.

## Largest Single Road Plan In Britain's History

# Negro GI And White Bride Can't Live In Mississippi

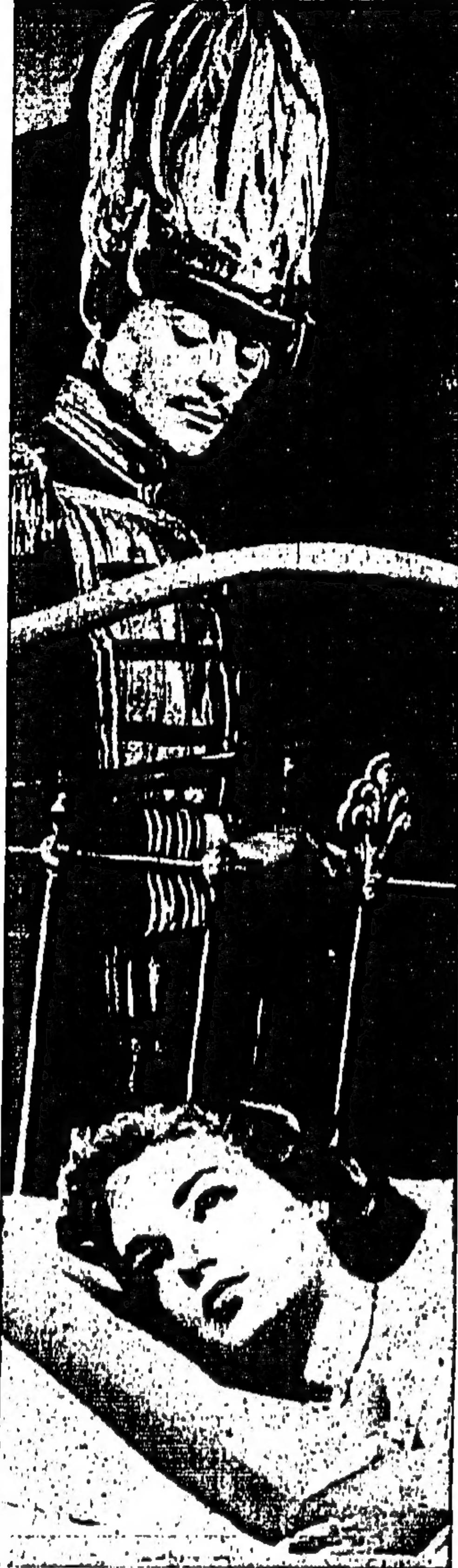
LAUREL, Miss., Mar. 24.

A Negro soldier who brought his Gorman wife here for a visit to his parents was warned by law officers that they could not settle in Mississippi.

The County Attorney, Leonard Melvin, identified the Negro as Johnny Wheeler, a sergeant in the Army. Mr. Melvin said he understood that both the Negro and his wife have left Jones County.

# Maybe you won't agree . . . but for my money the world's most exciting woman

by LEONARD MOSLEY



MOST men spend their lives trying to be sensible, decent, rational, and accommodating about sex—and it doesn't get us anywhere, does it? We tell ourselves that the qualities we desire in women are sympathy, kindness, and goodness of heart. And what happens?

A female walks in who demonstrates from the jut of her chin, the glint in her eye, and the haughty sway of her body that she doesn't care a damn for anyone in the room but herself, and every male in sight mentally lifts up a club and roars off on the chase.

So let us face the fact that it is the challenge in a woman that sets a man on fire.

And for me a woman named Simone Signoret is the challenge. I know plenty of girls who are prettier than Simone. I certainly know hundreds who are younger,

She has the body and looks of someone who has been around for quite a long time, and never found it desirable to stint herself of what life has to offer. Thirty-six. That's how old she is.

Yet if you were to look me in a room with Monroe, Mansfield, Vivien Leigh, Audrey Hepburn, and this full-blown, middle-aged blonde, do I need to tell you which four I would usher on to the fire-escape?

And for whose sake I would thereupon throw away the key and close the window against the world?

## Into battle

Simone Signoret—let me not be meagre or measly in my language—makes the others look, feel, and sound insipid. She is the epitome of everything in woman for which any man will happily go to battle.

Most filmgoers in England know this healthy female animal only if they have seen some of the better French films over the past few years. She

was the woman who drove Serge Reggiani to distraction (and also to the guillotine) in a brilliant gangster epic called "Golden Marie."

She was the ruthless murderer in a study in fear and panic called "The Fiends."

But now she has come to England to make a British film. She will play the part of the other, older woman in the film version of a Yorkshire novel called "Room At The Top."

And to everyone who says: "But, why, cast a French woman in the part of a female who comes from Bradford?" I have an answer:

For she alone, I think, can give this role of a woman who is not afraid of anything and anyone, particularly men, all the muscle and sinew of sex which it demands.

Simone Signoret is the most invigorating, stimulating, and challenging woman on the screen at the moment.

I only wish, when I have lunch with her later, she will aim her challenge in my direction.

## Why did she get the job?

NOT many women and very few actresses, would sit surrounded by men in a fashionable restaurant without a scrap of make-up on their faces.

Yet that is how Simone Signoret, the French actress, presented herself in London the other day. Her attitude seemed more startling when film producer James Woolf said: "We chose Signoret for this role because none of the available British actresses had enough sex appeal to play it."

She is not beautiful by ordinary standards. She does not even want to be. She said: "I know I have not got a cat in hell's chance of looking pretty. But, fortunately, I realised that 10 years ago. Up till then I was all make-up and feathers, like many young girls. She always dresses in sack-line suits which are chic but only suggest her figure. She has ravishing legs—which are rarely photographed.

She explained: "I remember the advice given to me by the director of the first film I made. He said: 'Sex appeal should never be vulgar!'

**'Oh, unfair'**  
Sex appeal? She shrugged her shoulders and said: "It is there with most women . . . when they let it show through. It cannot be put on, with makeup or anything. It is better just to be a woman."

Do British actresses lack sex appeal? Elizabeth Sellars said:

**ALGIERS NEWSLETTER** from SAM WHITE

**A MINISTER, A MAYOR AND A GENERAL**

## The top three in a land of terror

ALGIERS.  
place at a time of a great French Renaissance, and nowhere is this Renaissance more evident than in Algeria itself.

In the past two years there has been unleashed here a burst of reforming zeal of such energy and imagination that it is transforming the country.

The main engine for what is virtually a social revolution is the army, and what a magnificent army it is.

It is an army which does more than fight;

### Clears slums

"It clears slums, builds houses, re-settles entire villages, teaches in schools, administers health services, short-circuits bureaucracy on behalf of nomadic Muslims, and generally does everything but baby-sit."

Take the hideous "Bidonville" (so-called because the shacks are made from tins) on the outskirts of Algiers.

There until recently 15,000 Arabs who flocked into Algiers for seasonal work as dockers lived in appalling squalor on a 24-acre allotment.

On an absurdly small budget, 15 paratroop officers detached from normal army service have had a miracle here.

They are in the process of demolishing the shacks and putting in their place wooden homes.

Even there are temporary, for already plans are being made to replace these with 14-storey apartment houses.

Even as the demolition work goes forward, schools and medical centres function in the area, and a local council made up from the Muslims helps in the administration.

It is too late to win back the Muslims on the basis of the promise of full equality?

There are ominous signs that it may be so.

**Incidental Intelligence:** Half the Muslim population of 9,000,000 is under 20. At the rate the Muslim birth-rate is increasing there will be 20 million Muslims here, in 25 years' time.

**Quotes of the week**—M. Lacoste: "I feel I am defending Franco here."

General Massu, on being asked his reply to critics of his policy:

"I shall continue."

A senior French officer: "What will happen if we moved out?"

Either the Americans or the Russians would move in.

We know the job here. Why should we leave the task of modernising this country to someone else?"

—(London Express Service).



PICTURE BY EXPRESS PHOTOGRAPHER ALAN MEIK

THE SIGNORET LOOK, demonstrated as she kept an appointment with PhotoneWS. "I know," she says. "I haven't a cat in hell's chance of looking pretty."

THE SIGNORET LOOK as seen in La Ronde. Cavalier Gerard Philippe is fascinated.



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## ROUND UP

### Rome

EX-KING Farouk of Egypt is being sued by Rome's leading jeweller for payment for two snuff boxes which once belonged to Frederick the Great of Prussia.

Jeweller Giorgio Bulgari claims in his action that Farouk ordered the snuff boxes while he was still King of Egypt. He made an advance payment, says Bulgari, but the balance, amounting to "tens of millions of lire" has not been paid.

In his reply to the claim, Farouk says that he ordered the snuff boxes in his position as king. When he abdicated in 1952, they were seized, together with all the other Jewels belonging to the crown by Nasser and his revolutionary officers. Therefore, says Farouk, "I am not liable."

No definite date has been fixed for the hearing, but it is expected to be soon.

Meanwhile, Farouk has been told that while Italy is pleased to have him living here, it would be better for the king to take a holiday abroad during the visit of Nasser to Rome at the end of May.

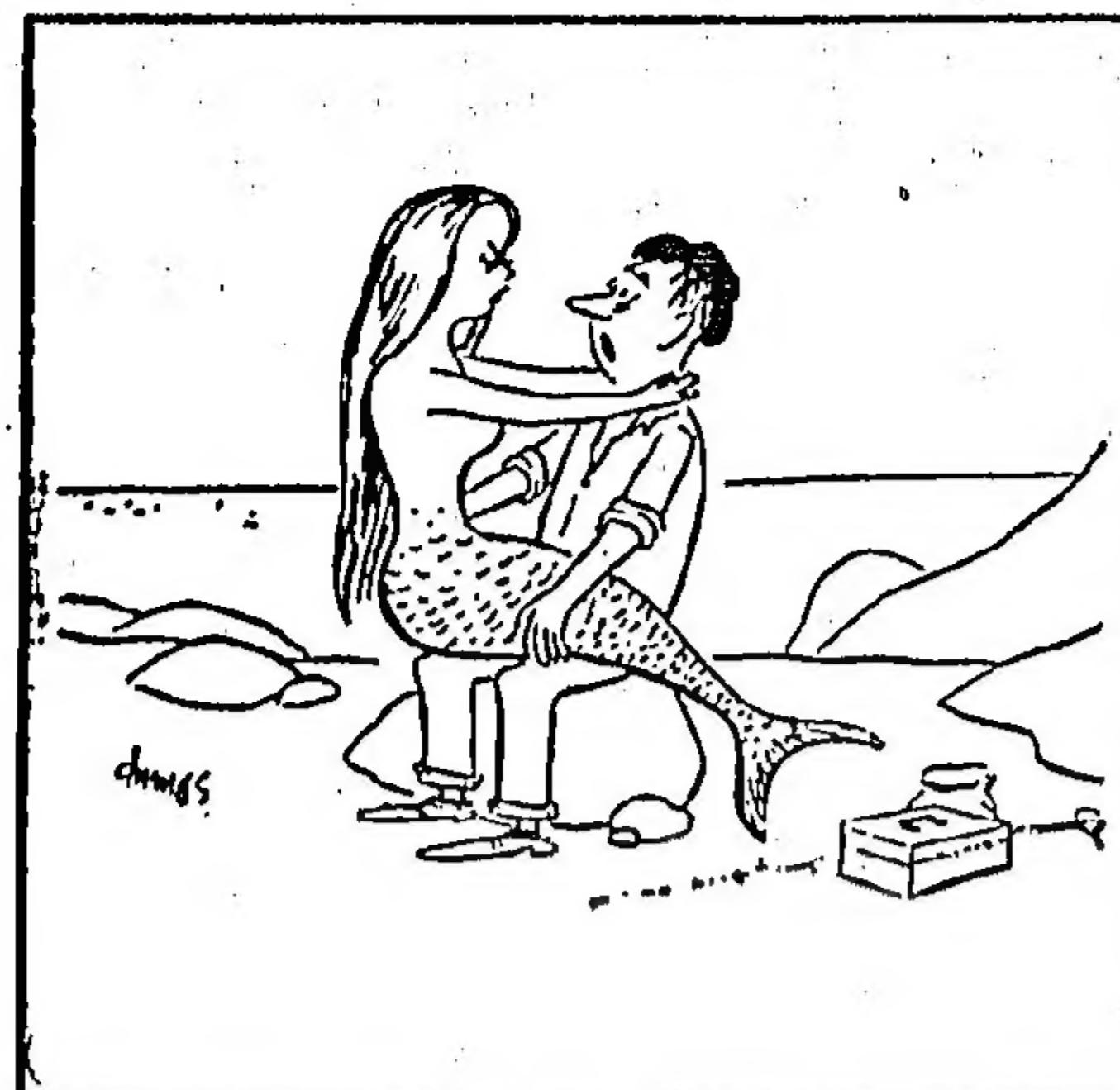
### Nicosia

CYPRIOTS who intend going to Britain for medical treatment have been warned by the Director of Government Medical Services that it will cost them at least £40 a week—excluding specialists' fees.

Hundreds of Cypriots have flocked to Britain in the past with no intention of working or settling there. They return with brand-new hearing aids or false teeth supplied free by Britain's National Health Service.

Now it is to stop. Would-be patients are instructed to make their own arrangements for admission into private hospital wards—unless sponsored by the Government—otherwise applications for passports will be refused.

## This Funny World



"I'd ask you to have lunch with me, but all I have is sardine sandwiches."

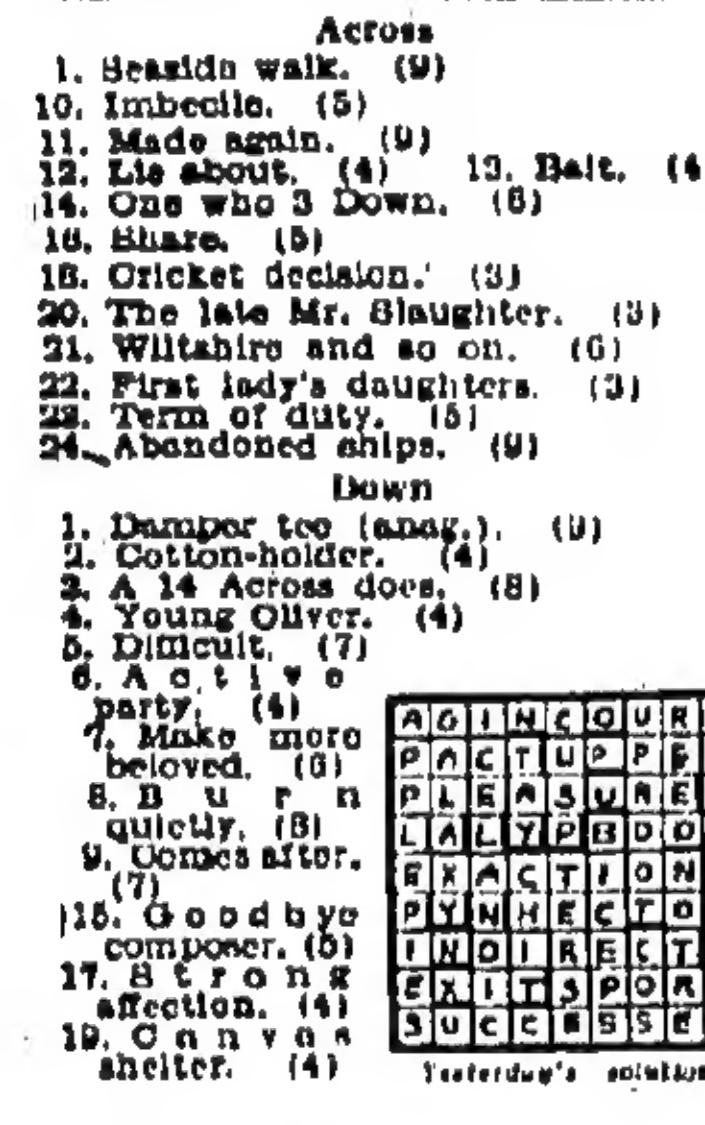
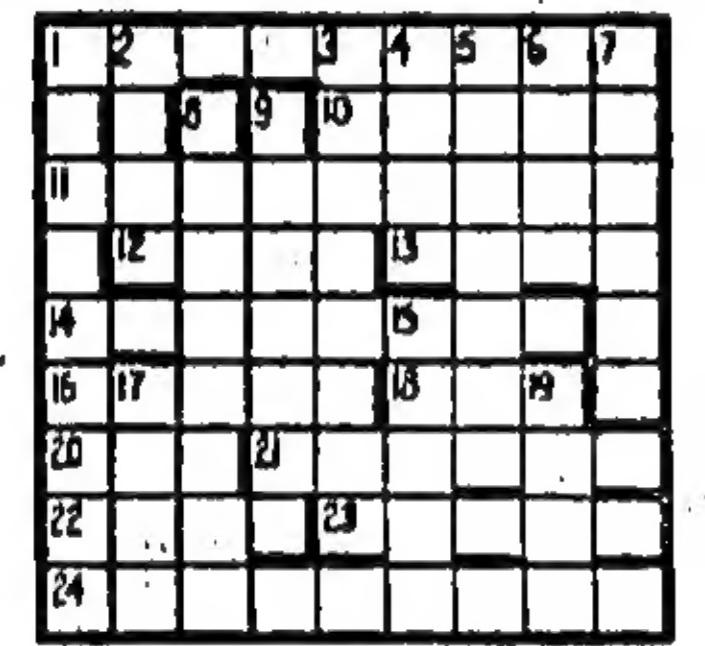
• BY • THE • WAY •  
by Beachcomber

I READ of a girl who pulled me." "What about his ears?" asks the cautious father. And at the next dance the poor man has his ears pulled. A girl can't be too careful.

## In passing

IT is the next move on such occasions? The girl can either pretend she only tugged in fun, or, still remaining suspicious, she may pull his nose. If that feature too, real life can go home happily, and say to her parents: "Everything's O.K. Cyril's nose and moustache are real. He is not deceiving

## CROSSWORD



## YOUR BIRTHDAY ... By STELLA

TUESDAY, MARCH 25

BORN today, you are able to organize your life exactly as you get exactly what you want out of it. Your ambitions are high, but so is your ability to work. You are a natural born leader, and provided you play your hand expertly—as is your usual habit—you should win handsomely. The most important thing is that you have exceptional talent in some one area of expression. Discover early in life what your gift is and then concentrate all your efforts on cultivating this gift.

For one who is so artistic, you are also highly practical. Fairly shrewd in your business negotiations, you are not one to come out the wrong end of any particular deal. You are not the type to strive much in any effort for success, either. You need to be a bit more ambitious and place them in operation. Opposition means little to you, for you merely work all the harder to overtake it. You have a forth and penetrating

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 26

ARIES (Mar. 21-Apr. 19)—Another day when the lights are green for all your activities, but don't be so busy that you neglect romance.

Taurus (Apr. 20-May 19)—Best to hold off normal activities. Not a good time for becoming a pleasantly social evening.

GEMINI (May 20-June 21)—Your ideas and personal charm can make a winning combination. Put your best foot forward today. Get what you want, too.

CANCER (June 22-July 22)—There is definite improvement in your present outlook. Keep an eye open for an advantageous opportunity.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)—Educational matters come up through today, especially if you are industrious and work hard at your task.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 21-Feb. 19)—Yesterday's good aspects follow through today, especially if you are industrious and work hard at your task.

PISCES (Feb. 20-Mar. 20)—A carefully-written letter may bring you some good prospects. Try to write now. There is an underworld running against you.

## • JACOBY ON BRIDGE

## Defence Squeeze Sets No-Trump

By OSWALD JACOBY

SOUTH won the opening diamond lead with the jack and played his ace of spades. His next play was the king of hearts and Generous George sitting East allowed it to hold the trick. The ten of hearts was overtaken by dummy's jack and George held off again. George also refused to cover the jack or the ten of spades and declarer remained in dummy.

Now declarer led a club and George went up with the king. By this time George knew where every card was and was ready

NORTH		1
♦	J 10 4	
♥	Q J 9 3	
♦	7	
♣	9 7 5 4 3	

WEST		EAST (D)
♦	8 2	♦ Q 6 3
♥	7 5	♥ A 8 4 2
♦	A 10 9 8 4 2	♦ 5 3
♣	6 2	♣ A K 10

SOUTH		
♦	A K 9 7	
♥	K 10 6	
♦	K Q J	
♣	Q J 8	

Both vulnerable  
East South West North  
Double 1 Pass 1  
Pass 3 N.T. Pass Pass 1  
Opening lead—♦ 10

for one of his best generous plays.

He played the ace and his small heart.

"Thank you for the heart trick," said South. "I never could have made it without your generosity."

"Don't mention it," said George. "By the way, you have to make a discard from your own hand."

Sur enough South had to make a discard and he was in a complete squeeze. He tried to make the best of a bad job by discarding his jack of clubs. Then he played a club from dummy and George simply took his ace of clubs to drop South's queen and continued the squeeze by cashing the ten of clubs.

This time South let the queen of diamonds go whereupon all West's diamonds were good. George's generosity had set the hand two tricks.

South would have made the hand if he had played a second diamond at some early stage but South had overlooked that play.

The car trick again

THE other day Foulough did his car trick again, to keep up his spirits. He chose a gleaming great lump of luxury which was standing outside a jeweller's. Just as he had opened the far door and climbed in, the owner, a half-starved painted doll, got in at the door nearest the kerb. Foulough raised his hat, said, "I haven't a moment," pushed past the astounded lady, and got out on to the pavement. "Drive on, Bulmer!" said Foulough to the chauffeur. "Take this lady wherever she wants to go."

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She is a mere wisp

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Today's question

Again you are South and hold:

♦ A K 9 7 6 ♦ 9 ♠ K 7 6 ♠ 6 5

The bidding is as above. East passes your partner's six-spade bid. What do you do now?

Answer Tomorrow

—Ho Was Afraid He Wasn't Useful To Anybody—

By MAX TRELL

"THERE he goes," Mr Punch was saying. "There goes right up the chimney!"

At this moment, Knarf, the Shadow Boy with the Turned-Around Name, with his two friends Teddy, the Stuffed Bear, and Hawhawa, the Small-Sized Wooden Indian, came into the room.

## Shouted In Alarm

Hearing Mr Punch saying that someone had just gone up the chimney, Knarf both shouted in alarm: "Who went up the chimney, Mr Punch?" "A very old friend of mine," said Mr Punch.

Hawhawa shook his head gloomily and said: "Bah! Very foolish to go up a chimney."

"Well, I don't know about that," said Mr Punch. "Weeping Willy was quite happy about it."

"Did you say Weeping Willy?" Knarf asked. "Was that the name of your very good friend who just went up the chimney?" Mr Punch nodded.

## Near the Pond

"That was his name all right. I wonder if any of you know Weeping Willy when he used to stand down by the edge of the pond."

"I don't know anybody that stood down at the edge of the pond except a Frog," said Knarf.

"I knew a little boy who stood down at the edge of the pond; Fishing," said Teddy, "but his name wasn't Weeping Willy."

Hawhawa shook his head gloomily.

—Rupert and the Lost List—42

## TARGET

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How many words of four letters can you make from the letters in the word TARGET? All letters must be used. Small squares may be used once only. Each word must contain the letters in the order of the word. There must be one single-letter word in the list. No plurals; no foreign words; no words formed by joining two words together; no words which are only one letter long; no words which consist of only one letter.

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## WOMANSENSE

## Doctor For Congress Lists Heart Hazards

By IDA JEAN KAIN

SCIENCE has increased life expectancy by almost two decades... but still an alarming number of executives, including members of Congress, have heart attacks in middle age. Searching for the answer to this number one health menace of our times, I interviewed Dr. George Calver, attending physician for the Supreme Court and Congress.

and executives in general is one that could put all of us back on our feet literally. The doctor advocates walking. The best time to walk is before breakfast. "In the first third of the morning your brain will be fresh and more active. Start with a 15 minute leisurely walk and build up... after two or three days you'll feel like walking for 20 minutes and later for an hour. The walking rate should be suited to individual capacity."

## PARTIES?

What does Dr. Calver think of the ubiquitous cocktail party? "Cocktail parties are an invention of the hostess who can find no easy way of getting a lot of people together and feeding them a lot of unneeded food."

The chief heart-aching hazard of business men and congressmen alike is excess exercise on the week-end, that is. "They try to crowd in exercises on Saturday and Sunday after spending the week getting soft," the doctor commented. "The human machine won't stand up under that treatment," he cautioned.

## OBLIGATIONS

A congressman's social obligations with those big dinners and rich lunches was placed second

on the list of hazards. The doctor explained it this way: "Eating foods of a too high caloric value tends to build up a higher blood fat than is advisable.

This can lead to hardening of the arteries and increased blood pressure with the usual complications of cardiovascular, heart and kidney disease."

## OVEREATING

Summed up: The combination of over-exercise on week-ends, overeating of rich fare, and working under pressure is the prime reason for the high rate of heart attacks in the middle age group. Our increased stress and strain stems from the fact that we are trying to live too fast.

The average executive audits his business efficiently and sees to it that the car is greased and the engine turned up... but neglects his body, Dr. Calver observed. Well, there are no spare parts for the human machine.

## BE A GOOD LISTENER



By JEANNE D'ARCY

SHE looks interested and, says French-born Echika Chorcou, Hollywood newcomer, that's the big secret of success.

THERE'S one thing every man goes for in a big way. But listening doesn't mean keeping your mouth clamped tight all night long. Not on your life! A good listener is a person who:

- a. Looks interested.
- b. Makes comments.
- c. Asks questions but,
- d. Lets the speaker hold the floor.

## Sympathetic Audience

Men like to talk, but they like to feel their audience is sympathetic. The girl who says nothing at all is just as much of a social washout as the girl who talks too much, is too witty, too amusing.

The comments a man we know made out wins over the glamourous vivacious beauty because she listens. Maybe it's because she doesn't have very much to say anyway, but that's not the point. She's an audience, some-

"Mary? A date with her's no fun. Who enjoys a monologue?"

## BOYS' AND GIRLS' MAGAZINE

## Weeping Willy's Problem

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## Know Him Better

"That's the one I mean! You all called him Weeping Willow. I knew him better. I called him Weeping Willy."

Mr Punch smiled.

# NEW ZEALANDERS CHALK UP A BIG WIN

## A First Class Lesson In Forward Play By The Touring Team

By "PAK LO"

Before one of the largest crowds, which included His Excellency the Governor, Sir Robert Black and Lady Black, ever to grace a rugby football match in this Colony, the New Zealand Touring Team gave the Colony a first class lesson in forward play when they beat them by the large score of 47 points (4 goals, 7 tries, 2 penalty goals) to nil.

Before the game started and during the interval the Band of the 1st Battalion The Green Howards played selections. On his arrival, Sir Robert Black was presented to both fifteen, and at five minutes before the scheduled time the game began.

Right from the start the New Zealand forwards took command of the lineouts, for they jumped better than the Colony, and by using one of the basic rules of rugby they broke through the Colony forward line.

Instead of, as has become the rule here, getting the ball back to one of their forwards who was running round to back up the player who had caught the ball, and with the force of his run carrying him through the Colony forwards were beaten before he started.

With the Colony losing most of the lineouts, the Colony threes had not only their opening threes but the forwards as well, which left a gap in the centre of the threes which no amount of hard tackling by Leppard and Watson could cover.

The Colony threes thought tactfully, if Leppard had not been there the digits in the score would have been reversed. What neither Leppard or his threes got was cover from their own forwards.

### Better Position

Although they were outhooked the Colony were in a better position in the scrums, for they lost only 60 per cent of them, but the ball came back too slowly, and the Colony threes, although their passing was good, were too slow off the mark in comparison with the New Zealanders and ran across the field.

Both O'Kelly and Robertson played well, but when losing heavily they should have opened the game up, for an open game was the only way to stop the All-Blacks' attacks.

In the Colony forwards Penman played one of his best games this season and was well backed up by Williams, but Green was a definite disappointment, for he was far too slow to do any damage.

The New Zealand pack with Whineray and Pickering to show the way were always well up in the forefront of the game, and when the New Zealand threes cross kicked, as they often did, the whole New Zealand pack was there in a bunch.

Only when the Colony cross-kicked did the New Zealanders look unsettled, but with their terrific speed they were able to cover their mistakes before the Colony could score. Whineray and Penman played beautifully with Penman making the try of the match when he got the ball just outside his own 25, cut through the defence, dummied his way past two more players, bounded off the full back and swerved perfectly to leave the last two defenders running the wrong way while he touched down under the posts.

Dineen, the New Zealand full back, also deserves mention for the neat way in which he joined in with his threes line and again to make the extra man, without crowding his wings.

### Big Advantage

But though the New Zealand threes passed well it was their crosskicking which gave them such a big advantage for their forwards were always there to gather up the ball and take it on. When they got the ball it was Dineen who time and again took the eye, for he was able to spring away from anyone near him, and only someone in his path was able to stop him.

The New Zealanders also passed quickly and only once when Prain tried to repeat his solo attempt did they fail to feed their wings. Prain with only Leppard to beat and with four men beautifully positioned outside him kept the ball to himself and was well and truly grounded for his effort.

Without doubt, as any one of the large crowd will testify, this was one of the most exciting matches ever seen, and the fact that it drew such a large and keen crowd proves that there can be a great future for

rugby in this Colony, especially if we can get tourists of the calibre of these mighty All-Blacks.

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The Colony forwards, who were tackling too high throughout the game, let the New Zealanders score again when it took three of them to hold Prain and the ball went inside to Whineray who sent Davidson over in the corner. No conversion, 9-0.

The Colony suddenly at this stage began to stumble badly and the next score, as no surprise, was the All-Blacks' breakaway, and the ball partially wheeled and Pickering touched down the loose ball half way out. Dineen converted, 14-0.

The Colony had a faint chance to reply when they were awarded a penalty ten yards from the half way line, but O'Kelly was just short. A good three move by New Zealand with some very bad obstruction which the referee did not see brought the next try, with Davidson just scoring as Leppard tackled him well and hard into touch but before he went to ground managed to score. No conversion, 17-0.

### The Next Try

Again and again the New Zealanders attacked and again and again Leppard and Watson cleared, but then Whineray got the ball from the loose and tore through to score under the posts. Dineen converted, 22-0.

Finally, just before half time Melds broke through to send Pickering over from a lineout on the Colony 25. No conversion, 25-0.

Within seconds of the second half starting, the New Zealanders went further ahead when they moved across the three line, was kicked ahead by Brown and Lineen beat the defence to the rolling ball and touched down. Johnson converted, 30-0.

Now at last the Colony began to attack and it seemed they must score, but Valentine passed out too late and play swept up again, and Davidson crossed for Brown to gather and score well out. No conversion, 33-0.

The ball was kicked off, passed to Prain by one of the New Zealand forwards and it was then that he made his wonderful solo run to score under the posts. Boon converted, 38-0.

Pickering added the next try when he took the ball from a wheel within ten yards of the Club line. No conversion, 41-0.

Still the pressure was kept up and from a lineout Lineen went through to score well out. No conversion, 44-0.

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## SIXPENCE A ROUND?

By HENRY LONGHURST

A cry of distress reaches me from an old friend. He is S. Morton, who years ago was greenkeeper at the Bedfordshire Club and has now, after a period of absence from England, moved back to Old Fold Manor, Herts. To hear from him brings back happy memories, for we were playing at Letchworth when I did my first and, until recently, only hole in one—a feat which we then possessed the stamina to celebrate in five different towns in the same evening.

It is not, however, to recall the carefree past that Morton writes but to deplore, so far as his own calling is concerned, the present and the probable future. On joining the committee of the Greenkeepers' Association, he says, he has been alarmed to see so few young men coming into the profession.

It has been for 35 years. He was there when we played the 1929 University match with homemade rulers and the bunkers full of water—and even then the greens were perfect. Indeed, through all the time that I have played golf it seems to have been tacitly accepted that Hoylake has the "best 18 greens in the world," and certainly after playing on some 300 courses I could not pick one from 18 to beat them. And in all that time old Tom Bridges has been responsible for them. They will remain both a tribute to his memory and a challenge to his successor.

### LINCOLNSHIRE HANDICAP

## Probable Starters And Jockeys

London, Mar. 24.

Thirty-seven probable runners with jockeys for the Lincolnshire Handicap, to be run on Wednesday, March 26, over one mile at Lincoln.

Babur (E. Britton), Colours (Figgott), Whiranek (W. H. Carr), Venus Slipper (J. Ederry), Persuader (S. Clayton), Just Verdict (D. Smith), Diplomatic Bag (S. Starkie).

Magic Moment (S. Mercer), Copenhagen (E. Mercer), Saucy Brush (E. Smith), Jackies Rush (J. Egan), Stafford (E. Larkin), Melody Fair (P. Robinson), Chief Barker (D. Smith), Opera Score (H. J. Greenway), Master Nicker (S. Gifford), Lord Barker (S. Sims), River Line (J. Lynch), Abbotts Bench (D. Greening), Langton Heath (D. Jago), Grand Reject (E. Keith), Who You (C. Edmunds), Jester (K. Temperton), Cleveland (T. Lappin), Dutton (D. W. Waller), Retain (D. W. Morris).

Corinthian (N. McIntosh), Naval Fighter (M. Hayes), High Tide (R. Reeder), Curious (Peter (R. B. Swindlehurst)), Red King (A. Carson), Gay Trio (S. Milbank), Norway (D. Ward), Royal Rock (K. Glover), North Light (D. East) and Liza (D. Johnstone).—Reuter.

After treatment at Old Trafford today, he took part in team training and will be fit for the FA Cup Semi-Final with Fulham last Saturday, will definitely be fit for the replay at Highbury on Wednesday.

Ernie Taylor Fit

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Ernie Taylor, Manchester United's inside-forward who received a bruised thigh in the FA Cup Semi-Final with Fulham last Saturday, will definitely be fit for the replay at Highbury on Wednesday.

The team, which will not be selected until just before the party leave for London tomorrow, is expected to be unchanged.—Press.

## MARCIANO-LIKE BASILIO AN 8-5 FAVOURITE TO BEAT ROBINSON

Chicago, Mar. 24.

"Sugar Ray" Robinson, 37, at one time regarded as the best pound for pound fighter in the world, but now in the twilight of an illustrious career, faces the odds against World Middleweight Champion, Carmen Basilio, here tomorrow night.

The tough, Marciano-like Basilio, who gained the narrowest of decisions over Robinson last September, is probably one of the greatest middleweight fighters of all time, an 8 to 5 on favourite to win again. A poll of 34 leading British and American boxing writers showed that 21 favoured the champion's tireless slugging to overcome the ageing Robinson.

Those who favour Robinson, who will be attempting to win the title for the fifth time, point out that he has never been beaten by the same man twice and predict that he will win by a knockout.

Two opponents who look the title from Robinson were both stopped inside the distance in return bouts. Randolph Turpin of Britain, was beaten in ten rounds and Gent Fullmer lasted five rounds. The cool, calculating Robinson, who has set down his tools for the last time at the age of 78, certainly had his life cast in pleasant places. After spending his boyhood at North Berwick, he took the high road to England long before the first world war and settled up at Huddersfield in the age of girl caddies and members driving up from Henley station in pony and trap.

There's the eye of the late and great J. F. Abercromby fell upon him and, together the two of them plunged into a tangle of rhododendron, gorse, heather and silver birch and



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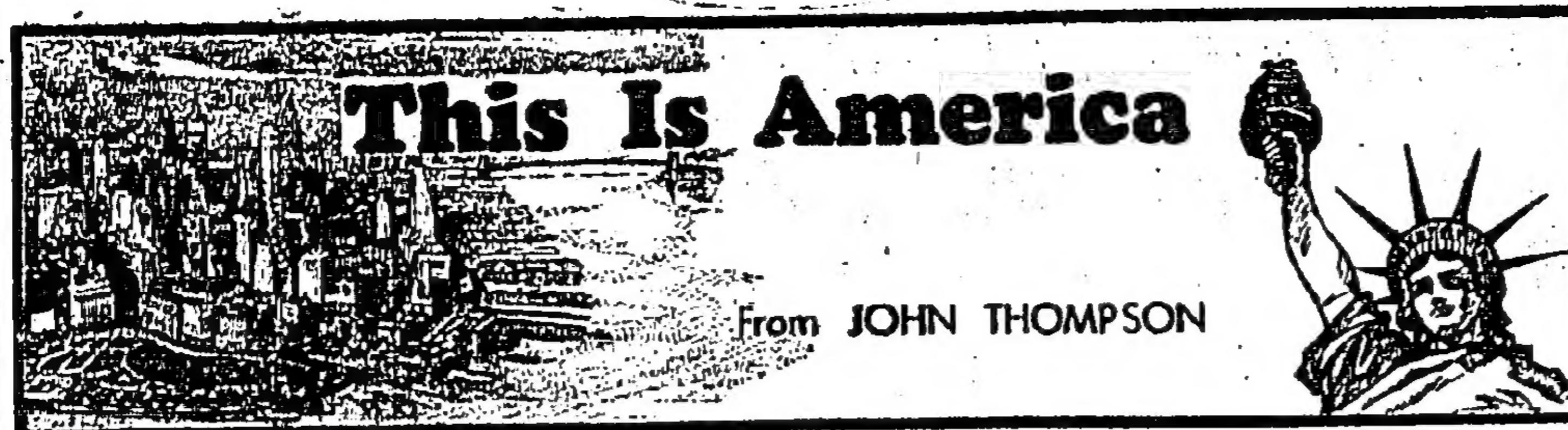
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from JOHN THOMPSON

**N.Y. (By Airmail).**  
**HAND-PICKED** police from New York's Morals Squad are accused of racketeering — by protecting a millions-a-year betting syndicate, working a high-interest loan system on the waterfront, and covering up on illegal operations by some Brooklyn doctors.

The Morals Squad was set up after the break-up of a huge police-protected betting combine back in 1950.

By a strange coincidence 42-year-old Harry Gross, bookie of the \$20,000,000-dollar-a-year (\$7,140,000) graft scandal in 1950, was released from prison today.

He was serving a three-year sentence for breaking parole given him by strong-man Judge Leibowitz, the terror of New York's underworld.

On appeal it was ruled he should have had only one year sentence.

In the Morals Squad investigation District Attorney Silver claims to have conclusive evidence against 15 policemen.

### Off-The-Track

**I**N New York, as in most other States, off-the-track betting is illegal. Now Silver is out to discover if police who quit or were fired, after the Gross case are "pulling the strings" among the State's bookies this time.

Despite talk of a "clean up," Silver, backed by Judge Leibowitz—who is also taking a hand in this investigation—fears the police may have teamed up with leading underworld figures.

The value of waterfront racquets in Brooklyn alone is estimated at \$10,000,000 (£3,500,000) a year. Both Brooklyn and the Red Hook and Erie Beach arenas are thought to be "rampant with loan sharks and shakedown muscle men."

The three areas are the stamping ground of "Tough Tony" Anastasia, boss of the Longshoremen's Union and brother of the murdered Albert Anastasia of Murder, Inc.

**C**ALIFORNIAN mother, 29-year-old, 4th 10th Socorro Sanchez, has given birth to her eleventh child, a boy weighing 15lb 3oz.

The record player has a preset timer mechanism. In the middle of the night, it starts again for 15 minutes and then again just before the alarm clock goes off in the morning.

**D**O they work, these loans—while you sleep? Records? There is no definite conclusion yet.

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**A** number of firms are using self-confidence courses played during sleep, for bolstering the morale of their salesmen.

Some education experts believe the records could be used to break children of anti-social habits like smoking and nail-biting.

Long-players bring in 64 per cent of sales of "pop" tunes. And they do 95 per cent of the classical music business.

attitudes. And school authorities are planning to experiment with the records on prisoners.

**F**OOTNOTE: So far there is no news of any device for keeping Americans awake at their work during the day.

**N**EW TREND in New York centrally heated apartments is to fill the empty fireplace with a fish tank.

**C**OASTGUARDS have clamped down on intense nuclear check on all ships entering San Francisco harbour—which points directly across the Pacific towards Russia.

They are swarming over the boats with gelignite counters, listening for the click-click which would tell if the boats carried radioactive material. Similar tests are being made at Los Angeles and San Diego.

The reason? "More or less a training exercise for port security personnel," said Commander Arthur M. Davidson, the coastguards' information officer.

He also said that large ships which had called at Iron Curtain ports were checked as a routine measure—but occasionally we check even the fishing boats and small yachts to get our men acquainted with the gelignite counter."

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# TRADE and COMMERCE SECTION

Many Believe Move Was Made Too Soon

## Bank Rate Cut: Lull In The Battle But No Surprise At Action By Government

By RONALD BOXALL

**London, Mar. 24.** Most people have accepted the official explanation that the bank rate reduction was a tactical move marking the end of a six-month period of more than usual anxiety for the gold reserves. But a sizable minority believes the Government has made a mistake.

The vocal members of this minority, in turn, disagree among themselves. One view is that the move was premature; that inflation is still the uppermost influence at work, and that the reduction will be misinterpreted. Another is that the authorities were not entirely frank in their explanation; that they are more worried than they care to admit about the possibility of a recession, but chose the wrong means of dealing with it. But no one was very surprised at what happened. The move had been anticipated, and largely discounted as the subsequent comparatively small upward movement of stock exchange prices showed.

If anything, it came rather sooner than many people expected, and the City, ever on the lookout for hidden meanings, has attached some significance to this. This opinion is now being widely canvassed that the authorities lowered the bank rate at this moment to allow a reasonable price before they lower it again.

**Possibility**

The British authorities believe they are now in a position to deal with either possibility. The bank rate was raised by two per cent to seven per cent last September to deal with an exchange crisis of unprecedented seriousness. Since then there has been an encouraging improvement, both in the reserves and the balance of payments position, and a seven per cent bank rate is no longer justified. The official explanation continues: "But at home, although inflationary pressures are moderating, the reduction in bank rate, it does not imply a general relaxation in monetary policy."

The authorities can fairly claim that the emphasis in economic policy is still on deflation. The reins on credit are still held tight enough to prevent a possible resurgence of inflationary pressure during the summer. On the other hand, they have been leniently sufficient (as matters stand at present) to avoid the risk of carrying deflation too far. The possibility that the American recession will spread to Britain is not yet a serious concern. But it is a risk that has to be faced—and sooner rather than later. This may explain why the bank rate was lowered, now instead of a few weeks' time. Another reduction in a month or two from what is still, after all, a high rate, would not raise many eyebrows. And it would leave room for a manoeuvre at the first sign of a resurgence of speculative pressure against sterling later in the summer, when seasonal influences become adverse.

But there is plenty of room for disagreement with this appraisal of the situation, and criticisms have already been voiced. The Times believes the reduction was made too soon. "After all," it says, "only the first skirmishes of a battle to the last in price have been seen so far on the home front in spite of a 12 per cent drop in prices of imported materials over the past year. Certainly the remedies are working but a false step at this stage might easily undo all the good work of the past six months... Moreover, several wage negotiations are entering a delicate stage where misinterpretation (of the cut) might jeopardise the whole atmosphere which has been so painfully established during the winter months."

### New York Foreign Exchange

**New York, Mar. 24.** Closing rates were:

Canada	1.01%
U.S. dollar	1.01%
New Zealand	1.01%
Holland	1.02%
Argentina	1.007
Brazil	1.007
Others unchanged.	

Note: London exchange rates were unavailable. —United Press.

### NEW YORK COTTON MARKET

**New York, Mar. 24.** Cotton futures today aggressively resumed the rise under way at the close of last week.

Opening higher, and edging ahead persistently thereafter, all new crop months reached seasonal highs with the early 1959 deliveries crossing the 37-cent line.

March, 1959, hit 37.15 cents a pound, highest price for any cotton futures delivery in more than five years—since Nov. 1952.

Closing within striking distance of the best levels the list showed net gains of 27 to 37 cents. Open outcry prices were up 8 to 10 cents. New Orleans closed up 7 to 36 cents.

Persistent buying through commission house brokers, local operators and trade account found sellers more cautious in face of backwardness of new crop preparations, and rising anticipation of a higher government loan rate.

A scarcity of good quality seed for planting conditions blurred the new crop picture. Many sections of the belt reported ploughing, sowing still held back by wet conditions following recent heavy rains.

Other buyers believed a small crop, and the tightening supply situation at the end of the season in July, will mean a boost in the loan rate to around 88 per cent compared with the 81 per cent basis for the already established interim rate.

Eastern cotton sections said land preparations and planting are beginning to get sections scheduled in southern sections of the territory. California said field work again was being interrupted by several days of heavy rains.

Gains of 2 points or better appeared in Barber Oil and Gulf Oil. New highs appeared in Honolulu Oil, Royal Dutch, Dutch and Kensey Standard well up on the big volume leader list.

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The answer to this is that even after the reduction, the British bank rate is high by comparison with what is regarded as "normal" and with recent reductives in other financial centres. The danger would be that the move was "misinterpreted" by the Gods that dwell in Zurich—and that was hardly likely to be the case.

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### Nonsense

The Economist dismisses this view as old-fashioned nonsense. "The great difference in our position as a banking nation," it says, "compared with that in the 19th century or even before the war, is that we are now one from which too many foreigners have an encouragement to borrow in times of emergency and to which too few have an incentive to lend. The way to meet this state of affairs is to revise our ideas about what are crisis interest rates and even about what is hot money."

In the opinion of this influential weekend review, relaxations should have been concentrated on other things than bank rate—"above all it would have been better to concentrate them on reductions in taxation next month."

One thing is clear from all this: The bank rate move is not put any fears to rest. We are like a regiment enjoying a lull in the battle, but expecting a new attack at any moment. The trouble is that half of us are peering ahead for a frontal assault by deflationary forces while the other half are looking over their shoulders for an attack in the rear by inflation.

### Singapore Stocks

**Singapore, Mar. 25.** Brokers today quoted the following stock prices:

Batu Lintang Rubber Co.	Opening
Lub. Borneo Petroleum Syndicate	\$1.77 1/2
Consolidated Tin Smelters Ord.	30%
Fer. & Niv. Ltd. Ord.	27.00
Fraser & Neave 7 1/2 cum. pref.	\$4.00
Gammon's (Malaya) Ltd.	2.50
International Nickel Inc.	1.50
International Paper	1.50
Int'l. Tel. & Tel.	1.50
Kellogg's Mills Co.	1.50
Kennecott Copper	1.50
Liggett Meyers Tob. Co.	1.50
Lockheed Aircraft	1.50
Dow Chemicals	1.50
Dupont de Nemours	1.50
Eastman Kodak	1.50
El Paso National Gas	1.50
Family Finance Corp.	1.50
Ford Motor	1.50
General Electric	1.50
General Foods	1.50
General Motors	1.50
Gen. Pub. Util.	1.50
Getty Oil Co.	1.50
Goodrich (B. F.) Co.	1.50
Goodyear Tyre	1.50
Gulf Oil	1.50
Hindustan Petroleum Corp.	1.50
Hongkong Tin Ltd.	1.50
Kumpas Ltd.	1.50
Lima Rubber Estates Ltd.	1.50
Malayan Breweries New Brandish Rubber Co. Ltd.	1.50
Petaling Tin Ltd.	1.50
Raffles Hotel Old Stock	1.50
Straits Trading	1.50
Stretton Steamship	1.50
United Engineers Ord.	1.50
Wearne Bros. & Son Ltd.	1.50
Ward's & Sons Ltd. cumdiv. 1 cent.	1.50
Special.	1.50

**NY COTTONSEED OIL**

**New York, Mar. 24.** Prices of cottonseed oil futures closed today in cents per lb. as follows:

July 18/24: July 15.07; Sept. 15.50; Oct. 15.22; Dec. 15.23; Mar. 15.20; April 15.21.
Bailes 154 contracts.—United Press.

### The New York Stock Market

**New York, Mar. 24.** Stocks made an irregular advance today with the best showing in the issues outside the groups used to calculate the averages.

Oil and copper groups performed best. A sizable group of utilities regarded as defensive issues

with earnings secure, moved up fraction to

more than a point. Specials registered gains

running to 2 points or better.

Bristol-Myers ran up 3 in a higher drug section. In the chemicals, leaders balanced off small gains and losses. Motors were about unchanged. In the tyres, Goodrich lost a point while Goodyear gained that amount. Leading stocks were little changed.

Activity centred in the oils with Shell Transport, Royal Dutch and Kensey Standard well up on the big volume leader list.

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## LANCASHIRE SEEKS CHANGE OF MIND IN HONGKONG

### China Trade Ban Attacked

London, Mar. 24. The Daily Express again attacked the ban on trade with China in its editorial today.

Recalling that in Canada it is said that the Ford motor plant of that country could have sold thousands of cars to China but for the veto of its American parent company, the Daily Express said Britain's trade with China is far less than it should be.

The editorial said: "This absurd situation is due, in part, to political considerations which have little meaning in the world today. A ban on export of so-called strategic goods to China doesn't make sense any more. The time has come for British trade policy to get into line with reality."—London Express Service.

### POLITICIAN APPEARS IN COURT

Belize, Mar. 24. A crowd of about 300 carried Mr George Price, leader of the left-wing People's United Party, shoulder high when he was released on bail after appearing before a magistrate here this morning.

The crowd shouted "Viva Price! We want self-government."

Mr Price was arrested last night on a charge of sedition. Intention.

The hearing was adjourned until Thursday after the magistrate told the prosecution that the arrest warrant did not give particulars of the charge.

#### NO MENTION

The magistrate said no mention was made in the warrant of the words used by Mr Price at a public meeting last Friday, which the prosecution holds to be sedition intention.

Answering the magistrate, the prosecuting lawyer said the prosecution intended to get through with the case so that it can be sent for trial in the Supreme Court in April. If a prima facie case was made out,

Bail was granted in the sum of 500 British Honduras dollars in two sureties.—Reuter.

### Shake-Up In Syrian Army Seen

London, Mar. 24. Radio Bagdad reported once more tonight that a shake-up among Syrian Army officers was in the making.

The broadcast monitored here, said the shake-up resulted from General Aafid Al-Bazir, the command of the U.A.R. Army Republic. First Army units were involved in the incidents.

The U.A.R. High Command so far was considering the transfer or release from the service of 15 Syrian officers, the Bagdad broadcast said.

#### ARRESTS

Last night Radio Bagdad reported "a wave of arrests involving high politicians and Syrian Army officers" in Damascus.

Some observers, the Iraqi news report went on, believed that Bazi was in official custody. Evidence of this, it said, was that Bazi had not been seen recently.

Radio Bagdad said further that "grumbling and complaints" were being heard in high government circles in Damascus.—United Press.

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### ALY KHAN THROWS A PARTY Cards Forged For US\$50

New York, Mar. 24. Prince Aly Khan gave his first diplomatic party tonight as Pakistan's newly-appointed delegate to the United Nations.

Pakistani officials said invitations were so much in demand that some had been forged and were selling on a strip-pants black market for \$50 each.

Pakistani delegation officials said 1,100 invitations had been issued for a reception at Pakistani House to celebrate this country's Republic Day and more than 80 per cent had been formally accepted. Acceptance of 90 per cent is normal for most UN diplomatic parties.

#### NEW CAPACITY

Pakistani officials said they knew, however, that invitations had been forged for the first social function of the playboy Prince in his new capacity as diplomat.

The Pakistani delegation was prepared to cope with gate-crashers. There is a check at the door on all arrivals, if the "guest" is unknown to the Pakistani officials, or if his name does not appear on special list, he is refused admission.

New York police, who customarily provide a small contingent to handle traffic when diplomatic parties warrant, assigned extra men to the Pakistani delegation head-quarters.

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It will seek to raise most of its finance from outside the industry, but will look to the industry itself to provide some of it.

### ISRAEL FOUND GUILTY

Jerusalem, Mar. 24.

The United Nations Mixed Armistice Commission found Israel guilty today of two armistice violations and asked the Israeli authorities to take all possible measures to prevent the recurrence of such incidents.

The Commission said that on March 18, a four-year-old Arab boy was wounded while playing in a village on the Jordanian side of the border by fire directed from Israeli forces marching in the vicinity.

The second violation, which the Commission described as a breach of the truce, was the killing of Marca in Jordanian hands on March 19.

Three armed Israeli soldiers shot the denunciation line and killed a farmer who was ploughing, the Commission said.

The Commission reported that 20 incidents have occurred since February, 1957, despite repeated Israeli assurances. — France-Press.

#### No Visit

New Delhi, Mar. 24.

An Indian Foreign Ministry spokesman today denied press reports that President Dr Rajendra Prasad would visit a number of South-East Asian countries this year.—France-Press.

London, Mar. 24. The Textile Mercury, organ of the British textile industry, today wrote that "Sir Frank Lee, permanent Secretary to the Board of Trade, has gone to Hongkong to see whether he can get Hongkong mill owners to change their minds about voluntary limitation of grey cloth exports to Britain."

The paper said that Sir Frank has a wide knowledge and experience of overseas trade policy, particularly textiles.

In particular, Sir Frank's mission, President of the Board of Trade Sir David Eccles also expressed the hope that inter-industry negotiations for a limitation of supplies from India and Pakistan would be resumed.

#### Chance Promises

The Lancashire view is that neither of these announcements offers the industry anything more than "a chance promise" of action to stop the disastrous flood of imports.

What India and Pakistan may do is clearly contingent on somebody breaking down Hongkong resistance to outside interference with its existing export trade.

The paper said: "Men who had dealings with the Colony feel that the industry is expanding rapidly and there has become too dependent on exports to be able to retract now—unless the large volume of cloth now being shipped to Britain can be diverted with certainty elsewhere."

"The problem is finding a big enough alternative outlet that is duty-free."

#### New Company

The cotton industry is taking a new and definite step to combat over-production and to put the industry on a better footing to withstand the impact of competition from Hongkong, India and Pakistan.

The aim is to reduce its equipment in quantity and to improve its quality.

A new company is being formed under the sponsorship of the Cotton Spinners and Manufacturers Association and the Rayon Weavers Association whose object will be to take over and close down cotton and rayon and weaving firms which are not able to re-equip their factories. Participation in the scheme will, of course, be purely voluntary.

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#### Surplus Board

This move is the first of its kind since a surplus spinneys board was set up by act of Parliament in 1938 to purchase and scrap redundant spinning plants.

During the three years of its existence it disposed of more than 6,000,000 spindles.

As in the 1930's, loss of exports and competition from Eastern countries have been the main factors blamed for the decline of the industry.

Then, however, competition came chiefly from Japan and affected Lancashire's export markets. This time it comes from Hongkong, India and Pakistan and affects the home market as well.

In the 1930's, a government subsidy helped toward the cost of re-equipment of the spinning mills.

This time, the weaving sector is helping itself, the idea of the scheme being to encourage the industry's further re-equipment and to encourage the shift-working which normally goes with it.

#### Provisions

The scheme will include provisions regarding the redundant employees at the firms closed down under it.

Meanwhile, the British textile industry is continuing its efforts to obtain voluntary limitation of exports from its Commonwealth competitors. — France-Press.

A twelve-year-old girl was arrested on suspicion of stealing money from a woman pedestrian at Bulkeley Street in Hung Hom,

### SIDE GLANCES By Galbraith



"I know I've been having a lot of dates lately—but please remember I'm going steady with four boys!"

### New Airport Lighting Work To Start In Few Weeks

The work of providing a complete operational lighting for the new airport will begin in a matter of weeks and the task will take a little more than a year to finish.

### 'MONSTER' GETS 20 YEARS

London, Mar. 24. Albert Edward Matheson, 52-year-old labourer sentenced to death for the capital murder of a 15-year-old boy, today had the conviction reduced to manslaughter and the penalty to 20 years' imprisonment.

Five judges in the Court of Criminal Appeal here heard his appeal against his conviction for the murder of Gordon Lockhart whose mutilated body was found beneath a boxing-ring in Newington, northern England.

Council for the appellant submitted that the jury at the trial were so appalled by the atrocious nature of the crime that they formed the view that the only proper penalty was hanging.

Lord Chief Justice Goddard commented: "It is the most horrific case I have ever come across in my experience. He is a monster—there is no other word for it."—Reuter.

### SOVIET EXPERTS ARRIVE IN UAR General Survey Of Country

Damascus, Mar. 24. Large groups of Soviet experts have arrived in the Egyptian and Syrian provinces of the United Arab Republic. In the past three days, they began work provided for by the economic assistance agreements concluded recently in Moscow.

Twenty-two Soviet geologists arrived here on Sunday to begin a general survey of Syrian mineral and petroleum resources.

Four Soviet planes have been provided for the work of the mission.

The first group of Soviet experts has also arrived in Cairo. It was learned to carry out work in connection with projects evaluated at some 700,000,000 roubles.—France-Press.

## Youths Convicted Of Robbery At Sai Kung

### LADY BLACK VISITS CARE CENTRE

Two youths who took part in a robbery at Tai Tan Village, Sai Kung, in October last year, were remanded in custody until 10 a.m. next Wednesday by Mr Justice A. D. Scholes at the Criminal Sessions this morning, for a report on their suitability for entering a training centre.

One of them, Lau Yuk-chuen,

18-year-old farmer, was found guilty by a jury of six men and one woman, who deliberated for 20 minutes before returning a majority verdict of six to one.

Lau Yuk-chuen, 18, yesterday, named as the first accused in the indictment, had pleaded guilty.

Lau Yuk-chuen was convicted of robbing Mr Lee Yuen-kwong, and a woman, Wong Sung-tai, of more than \$1,250, a gold ring and a flashlight in a stone house in Tai Tan Village on October 24.

During the robbery, in which four men took part, two shots were fired by an armed member of the gang.

#### Prosecution

Mr D.O. Mayne, Crown Counsel, prosecuted, assisted by Detective Inspector E. R. Moss.

In his cross-examination of Lo Yung-sing, Police Interpreter, yesterday, the second accused put it to him that he (accused) had not made any statement admitting his guilt, as alleged, but that he had been compelled to copy something written in a detective's notebook onto a piece of paper.

This morning, Lau Yuk-chuen elected to say nothing in his own defence.

After the verdict had been returned, Lau Yuk-chuen, who had pleaded guilty, asked for a light sentence, saying he had an old mother to support.

#### Long Time

He asked the Court to date the sentence from the day of his arraignment because he had been in custody for a long time.

Lau Yuk-chuen asked for a chance to be allowed to reform, and for a short sentence also because he had an old mother.

Mr Mayne told His Lordship that the Police did not consider the two accused to be ring-leaders, but that they were led on by an elder person who was a well-known bad character.

Mr Justice Scholes told the prisoners that they had been convicted of a very serious offence, the maximum sentence for which was life imprisonment for 18 strokes of the cat-o'-nine-tails.

#### Clean Records

But he continued, in view of what had been said by Crown Counsel, and the fact that they were young and had clean records, he would remand them pending a report on their suitability for a training centre, instead of sending them to gaol.

The accused is alleged to have wounded the complainant, with intent to murder him, on January 25 at the staircase of Queen's Road East.

Complainant testified on Monday that he was dismissed the accused on December 26, 1957, after six months because he was not satisfied with his work and ability.

#### Pen Pals Wanted

LOH CHOOI TENG—27-A, Commonwealth Avenue, Singapore, 3. General exchange of correspondence and views.

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Lady Black speaking to some of the children at the Juvenile Care Centre, Lower Albert Road, this morning. With her is Mr V. C. Chan, President of the Centre (see story above, col. 8).—Staff Photographer.